Policy for creation of employment in Eighth Five Year Plan

972. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY:
SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of policy emphasis on creating employment under the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) the extent to which the above policy has proved successful to create additional employment in both public and private sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANGO): (a) The Eighth Five Year Plan aims at accelerating growth of productive employment opportunities on the basis of faster growth of employment intensive sectors, sub-sectors and activities. Major elements of the employment strategy of the Plan are: a faster and geographically as well as crop-wise diversified agricultural growth, development of non-agricultural activities in rural areas, particularly manufacturing and small and the decentralised manufacturing sector, expansion of programmes of construction of infrastructure and residential accommodation and promotion of the growth of the services and the informal sector activties, besides streamlining existing special employment programmes.

(b) Estimates of additional employment generated during the first three years of the Eighth Plan are given below:

Year	Increase of decrease in employment (million)		
	Total	Public Sector	Private Sector
1992-93	6.71	0.18	6.53
1993-94	5.71	(—)0.51	6.22
1994-95	7.20	N.A.	N.A.

N.A. : Not Available

Criteria for Central Assistance to States

973. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI:
SHRI J. S. RAJU:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission in a radical policy shift has decised to assess the States fuel performance on the basis of revenue generated in the power, irrigation and transport sectors;

(b) if so, whether fiscal management is one of the key performance criterion for fixing, Central assistance to the States; and

(c) if so, the extent to which the new policy is likely to help in determining the Central aid for States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANGO): (a) to (c) The formula for the allocation of Central assistance for State Plans inter-alia include the criterion of

Fiscal Management presently with 2.0 per cent weightage. Fiscal performance is assessed in terms of the difference between the State's own resources including contribution from power, irrigation and transport sectors estimated at the time of finalising the Annual Plans and their actual performance based on the average of the last five years for which actuals are available. Those States which perform relatively better in comparison with their own commitments get higher proportion of this part of the assistance.

People living below poverty line

974. SHRI GANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAME be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of people living below the poverty line during the year 1993-94;

(b) whether the objectives of various poverty alleviation measures adopted during the Eighth Five Year Plan has been achieved;

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANGO): (a) The estimates of percentage of people living below the poverty line during the year 1993-94 are not available.

(b) and (c) The targests and achievements of the Major Poverty Alleviation Programmes are in the Statement.

Statement

Physical performance during 1992-93, 1993-94 *and* 1994-95 *under Major Poverty Alleviation Programmes*

Programmes	1992-93		1993-94		1994-95	
	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement upto 12/94
1. Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) (No. of families assisted/to be assisted)	1875135	2068773	2569942	2538320	2115097	1145805
2. Jawhar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) (lakhs mandays)	7537·95	7821.02	10383 26	9523.45	8389.48	4243·85
3. Intensified Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (IJRY) (lakh mandays)	..	..	..	713.36	1976.05	1121·16
4. Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) (lakh mandays)	..	..	..	494.74	..	1453·01